International Day of Persons with Disabilities is December 3\textsuperscript{rd}

International Day of Persons with Disabilities draws awareness to persons with disabilities and the problems they are faced with in their everyday lives. It is estimated that persons with disabilities around the world make up 10\% of the population, and 80\% live in developing countries.

But, even where disability laws are in place, its effectiveness can be held back by negative attitudes towards disabled persons.

Because so many types of disabilities exist, understanding them all individually can be a difficult task. But here is your chance to learn more.

Are you disabled or do you know someone who is? Everyone has different skills, and interests, so why not find a way to celebrate that, whatever it is?

This year the theme of the day is 'Removing barriers to create an inclusive and accessible society for all'. The aim is to draw attention to, and address exclusion by promoting accessibility and the removal of barriers for all.
Digital Magazines Coming Soon

The National Library Service (NLS) will be converting magazine subscriptions from cassette tape over to the digital cartridge format. All audio magazine readers will need to have a digital player. If you have not received your digital player, please be sure to contact the Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services.

The magazines from NLS will be blue in color and arrive in a red container. The cartridge may contain several magazines that you subscribe to. When a cartridge with more than one magazine is inserted into the digital player, there will be instructions for navigating among the multiple magazines.

Magazine cartridges are reused and must be returned. The process for cartridge return is the same as usual: turn over the address card on the container and put it in the mail. If cartridges are not returned your magazine service may be disrupted.

Readers who receive Talking Book Topics on cassette will soon be receiving it on digital cartridge with their magazines. The print order forms for Talking Book Topics will be mailed out separately from the magazine cartridge.
Holiday Greetings to our Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services patrons and their families! Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a New Year filled with happiness. We look forward to reading with you in 2013.
The Southwest Georgia Library for Accessible Services will be closed on December 24th, 25th & 26th.
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For Accessible Services  
Southwest Georgia Regional Library  
301 South Monroe Street  
Bainbridge, GA 39819

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Wednesday 9am to 6pm
Thursday 9am to 7 pm
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Information presented in this newsletter will be provided in alternative formats upon request.

Online Catalog for ordering library books: http://webopac.klas.com/glass
Call the library for your log-in and password.

NOTE: Please submit information or news that you would like to share to Kathy Hutchins or Arlene Freeman.